Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

July 25, 2017

Dear Representative Hill:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 2nd district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

We hope that you or your staff will take the opportunity to call the project directors to congratulate them on their successful grant application. Please find contact information listed below. If you call the project directors between now and July 27, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. NEH staff will notify all project directors of their offers on July 27.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to announce offered grants publicly. On August 2, NEH will announce all new grant offers on its website, www.neh.gov. Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until August 2. All of NEH’s social media handles are @NEHgov.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Caitlin Green at (202) 208-7122 or cgreen@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

Margaret F. Plympton
Acting Chair

Arkansas State Archives
National Digital Newspaper Program
Outright Amount: $208,128
Project Title: Arkansas Digital Newspaper Project, Phase One
Project Director: Lisa Speer
Contact: 501-682-6901
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

July 22, 2016

Dear Representative Hill:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 2nd district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

NEH notifies congressional offices of newly offered grants several days before NEH notifies the project directors, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their successful applications. If you call the project directors between now and July 27, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. Please find their contact information below.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to publicly announce offered grants. Please find additional resources from NEH for a public announcement here (http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-toolkit) (the access code is “humanities”). On July 27, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On August 9, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov/). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until August 9.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

Arkansas Humanities Council
State Humanities Councils General Operating Support Grants
Outright Amount: $661,670
Matching Amount: $5,400
Project Title: State Humanities Program
Project Director: John Day
Contact: 870-460-1887
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

March 15, 2016

Dear Representative Hill:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 2nd district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

NEH notifies congressional offices of newly offered grants several days before NEH staff members notify the project directors, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their successful applications. If you call the project directors between now and March 16, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. Please find their contact information below.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to announce publicly offered grants. Please find additional resources from NEH for a public announcement here (http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-toolkit) (the access code is “humanities”). On March 16, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On March 23, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov/). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until March 23.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

Central Arkansas Library System
Dialogues on the Experience of War
Outright Amount: $99,772
Project Title: Fiction & Fact: A Dialogue with Veterans
Project Director: Alex Vernon
Contact: [b] (6) [/b]
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Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

December 04, 2015

Dear Representative Hill:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 2nd district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

NEH notifies Congressional offices of newly offered grants several days before NEH staff members notify the project directors, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their successful applications. If you call the project directors between now and December 8, you will be the first to notify them of their projects' approval. Please find their contact information below.

Many Congressional offices work with the project directors to publicly announce offered grants either jointly or separately. Please find additional information from NEH for a public announcement here ([http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-toolkit](http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-toolkit)) (the access code is humanities). On December 8, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On December 14, NEH will announce the grants on its website, [www.neh.gov](http://www.neh.gov). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until December 14.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH's Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

University of Arkansas, Little Rock
Fellowships for University Teachers
Outright Amount: $50,400
Project Title: Personal Interactions and Imperial Geographies in Early Modern Dutch Colonies
Project Director: Susanah Romney
Contact: [b] (6) [b] (6)
Dear Representative Hill:

I am pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded grants to organizations in your 2nd district as part of Latino Americans: 500 Years of History. With support from NEH and the American Library Association (ALA), more than 200 sites will receive funding to host public programs that support the American public's exploration of the rich and varied history and experiences of Latinos Americans. The cornerstone of the project is the six-part, NEH-supported documentary film, Latino Americans, created for PBS in 2013 by the WETA public television station.

The organizations that will receive Latino Americans: 500 Years of History in your 2nd district are:

University of Arkansas at Little Rock
$3,000
Deborah Baldwin, djbaldwin@ualr.edu

NEH notifies Congressional offices of grant awards before notifying the awardees, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to contact the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their grant awards. If you call the grantees today, you will be the first to notify them of their award.

Many Congressional offices work with the grant awardees to create press releases either jointly or separately. Please let us know if you would like additional information from NEH for your press release. On June 11 (tomorrow), ALA staff will contact all successful applicants directly and NEH will publicly announce the grants on NEH’s website, www.neh.gov.

If you have any questions or would like further information on any of these grants, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov. Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

March 17, 2015

Dear Representative Hill:

I am proud to announce new grant awards to your 2nd district from the National Endowment for the Humanities. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous review and selection process to ensure that the project represents the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the new grant awards listed below.

NEH notifies Congressional offices of grant awards several days before NEH staff notify the awardees, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their NEH grant awards. If you call the grantees between now and March 19, you will be the first to notify them of their award. Please find their contact information below.

Many Congressional offices work with the grant awardees to create press releases either jointly or separately. You may also work with NEH's Communications Director, Theola DeBose (tdebose@neh.gov or 202-606-8255) on a press release. On March 19, our staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On March 23, we will publicly announce the grants on our website, www.neh.gov.

If you have any questions or would like further information on any of these grants, please contact NEH's Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273, or taiken@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

William F. Laman Public Library
NEH on the Road
Outright Amount: $1,000
Project Title: NEH on the Road: Spirited
Project Director: Debra Wood
Contact: 501-771-1995 x105
Mr. William D. Adams  
Chairman  
National Endowment for the Humanities  
400 Seventh Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Adams:

I am honored to represent the city of Fairfield Bay in Van Buren County, which is in my district in the U.S. House of Representatives. I am writing in support of Fairfield Bay’s grant application for the Creating Humanities Communities program under the Office of Grants in the National Endowment for the Humanities for the 2017 grant period with funding for 2018’s academic year.

Mayor Wellenberger, of Fairfield Bay, has expressed his interest to team with a local university – University of Central Arkansas – to record war experiences and stories of World War II and other war veterans. The city of Fairfield Bay has a community center with an educational component. Mayor Wellenberger proposes to utilize the grand award funds to partner with the University of Central Arkansas’s History Department to preserve stories and memories of veterans in the region.

As per my understanding, the city of Fairfield Bay is seeking for the grants to start the proposed project in the 2018 academic year. This project will help strengthen this community and will help them retain moments of the past for future generations. For the past few years, the community of Fairfield Bay has been headed towards progression and I fully support the community.

Please keep my office apprised on the status of this grant. My office contact for this matter is Ms. Brooke Bennett and she can be reached at (202) 225-2506 or by email at A_Brooke_Bennett@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

French Hill  
Member of Congress
April 6, 2017

The Honorable French Hill
1229 Longworth House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Rep. Hill:

Thank you for contacting the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) in support of Fairfield Bay’s Creating Humanities Community grant application. I know NEH Chairman Adams greatly appreciates your interest and support of the Endowment.

As you may be aware, NEH grants are awarded on the basis of a peer review process that is similar to the review process operated by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF). NEH staff assembles the advice of the evaluators and presents grant recommendations to the National Council on the Humanities, the agency’s presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed advisory group, which meets three times a year to advise the NEH Chairman. The council’s recommendations are then forwarded to the Chairman who, by law, must give final approval to each recommended proposal.

The application submitted by Fairfield Bay is still under review with a decision by the National Council scheduled for its July 2017 meeting. NEH Chairman William Adams wanted me to assure you that this grant application will receive every consideration as it moves through the review process. Applicants will be notified of the results of this grant competition shortly after the July 2017 council meeting.

In light of recent fiscal year 2017 budget developments, I know that you may be hearing from applicants who are concerned about the agency’s ability to award grants for the remainder of the current fiscal year. NEH will strive to award as many meritorious grants at its July council meeting as possible based on the status and funding level provided in any final fiscal year 2017 appropriation.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Timothy B. Aiken
Director of Congressional Affairs
Fairfield Bay Community Education Center (Fairfield Bay, AR 72088-1400)
(b) (6) (Project Director, 02/15/2017 - present)
Fairfield Bay Veteran's History Project

Program: Creating Humanities Communities Grants
Division: Challenge Grants
Council Date: Jul 2017
Grant Period: 02/01/2018 - 01/31/2021
Requested $30,000 = $0 (OR) + $30,000 (match)
Approved $0 = $0 (OR) + $0 (match)
Awarded $0 = $0 (OR) + $0 (match)
Mr. William D. Adams  
Chairman  
National Endowment for the Humanities  
400 7th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Adams:

I am pleased to support the application submitted by the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies for the Humanities Collections and Reference Resources program. This investment will support costs for digital upgrades and content enhancement for the Encyclopedia of Arkansas (EOA).

I applaud the Center’s efforts to provide an accurate source of Arkansas heritage by updating and maintaining the EOA. It is a tremendous resource that supports student research and historical tourism. Launched in 2006, it receives almost two million users each year and has been visited by people in more than 200 countries.

I request that you give the Center’s application full and fair consideration and that you apprise me of its progress. Please do not hesitate to contact Jill Cox in my Little Rock office at (501) 324-5941 or at Jill.Cox@mail.house.gov.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

French Hill  
Member of Congress
August 2, 2016

The Honorable French Hill
1229 Longworth House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Rep. Hill:

Thank you for contacting the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) in support of the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies' and the Central Arkansas Library System Foundation's grant application. I know NEH Chairman Adams greatly appreciates your interest and support of the Endowment.

As you may be aware, NEH grants are awarded on the basis of a peer review process that is similar to the review process operated by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF). NEH staff assembles the advice of the evaluators and presents grant recommendations to the National Council on the Humanities, the agency's presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed advisory group, which meets three times a year to advise the NEH Chairman. The council's recommendations are then forwarded to the Chairman who, by law, must give final approval to each recommended proposal.

It is my understanding that Butler Center for Arkansas Studies' and the Central Arkansas Library System Foundation's application is under review with a decision by the National Council scheduled for its March 2017 meeting. Chairman Adams wanted me to assure you that the grant application will receive every consideration as it moves through the review process. Applicants will be notified of the results of this grant competition shortly after the March 2017 council meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Timothy B. Aiken
Director of Congressional Affairs
Central Arkansas Library System Foundation (Little Rock, AR 72201-1624)

Arkansas Time Traveler: Content and Platform Enhancement for the Encyclopedia of Arkansas History and Culture

Program: Humanities Collections and Reference Resources
Division: Preservation and Access

Council Date: Mar 2017
Grant Period: 05/01/2017 - 04/30/2019
Requested
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